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MEMORANDUM FOR: Maj Gen Frank B. Horton, III, USAF
Chairman, National Intelligence Council

FROM: Lt Gen Edward J. Heinz, USAF
Director, Intelligence Community Staff

SUBJECT: Free World Space Programs

REFERENCE: Your Memo (NIC #01001-87) dtd 5 Mar 87, Same Subject, with
Attached, DI Study, Subject: Evaluation of Allied Participation
in the United States Space Station Program

1. I have reviewed the Directorate of Intelligence (DI) study, initiated in response to my request, on the subject of allied participation in the US Space Station. I agree with you that they "did a fine job, especially considering the short time frame involved." I understand that a final draft of this report was made available to the US negotiators just before the 11 and 12 February sessions with the allied program participants. Earlier, the DI analysts also participated in a roundtable discussion of this subject with IG(Space) representatives on 27 January 1987, just the day before the SIG(Space) meeting on this subject. Their efforts to provide information to the negotiators and interagency group members in time to be relevant to the issues at hand were much appreciated by the recipients. I believe that the DI analysts should be commended for their efforts and I intend to do so by separate correspondence.

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2. With respect to your views on the next course of action to take, I agree that there is little to be gained from starting an interagency process to develop a Community assessment. Nevertheless, you should be aware that the recent negotiating sessions have confirmed that the US and the allied participants are far apart on several key issues. Potentially long and hard negotiations appear to lie ahead and we think the US will need intelligence support for the negotiators, as well as for the resolution of policy issues that may arise. At present, an approach for providing Intelligence Community support has yet to be determined.

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You may want to see if you need to establish a mechanism for continuing intelligence support to the US negotiating team. As before, my action officer is

[redacted] Deputy Director for Policy, Planning and Policy Staff [redacted]

[redacted] Thanks again for the outstanding support to my earlier request.

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